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TAGS: PFOR UNSC PT PI ID

SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE TIMOR: WINSPEARE'S VIEWS

1. IN CALL ON WINSPEARE BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEWIS  
APRIL 23 WINSPEARE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH FORM  
UNSC RESOLUTION ON PORTUGUESE TIMOR HAD TAKEN INASMUCH  
AS IT DID NOT CALL FOR SYG TO ATTEMPT TO FORMULATE  
RECOMMENDATIONS AND LEFT IT OPEN FOR WINSPEARE TO  
JUDGE WHETHER AND WHEN FURTHER VISITS BY HIM MIGHT  
BE USEFUL. HE SAID HE HAD URGED PGET DELETATION  
TO STOP OVER IN GENEVA IN RETURNING FROM NEW YORK TO  
DILI, AND HAD SCHEDULED MEETING HERE FOR APRIL 26.  
WINSPEARE SAID THAT HORTA, APPARETNLY AT URGING OF  
PRC, PLANS TO TOUR AFRICA TO TRY TO GATHER SUPPORT  
FOR FRET LIN CAUSE, AND HE HAS ASKED HIM TO STOPOVER TOO. COMMENTING  
ON PRC POSTURE ON TIMOR ISSUE, WINSPEARE THOGUTH HE SAW PRC ACTING  
ON TWO LEVELS, AND IN FACT "SUPPLYING HORTA WITH NOTHING  
BUT WORDS."

2. WINSPEARE RECOUNTED IMPRESSIONS FROM HIS EARLIER  
VISIT OF WHAT TENOUS HOLD FRET LIN ENJOYS, AND  
COMMUNICATION DIFFICULTIES IT HAS, WHERE AS FACTS  
OF CLIMATE, TOPOGRAPHY AND LACK OF OVERLAND  
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS ENABLE IT TO HOLD  
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3. BASIC QUESTION NOW, AS WINSPEARE SEES THEM, ARE  
(A) WHETHER PGET WOULD AGREE TO ALLOW FRETLIN  
ADHERENTS TO ENTER INTO POLITICAL PROCESS AS A PARTY,  
AND (B) WHETHER HORTA COULD AGREE TO THIS. WINSPEARE  
SAW NO POSSIBILITY THAT LONG RANGE PROSPECT EVEN IN  
THE CASE, WOULD BE ANYTHING OTHER THAN EVENTUAL DIS-  
APPEARANCE OF FRETLIN (SINCE INDONESIA "HAS NO PARTIES"),  
EVAPORATION OF PGET (WHICH REGARDS ITSELF AS TRANSI-  
TIONAL REGIME), AND INCORPORATION INTO INDONESIA  
(PERHAPS AS MORE MORE SPOT IN REGION WHICH MUST  
CONTENT ENDLESSLY WITH SEPARATIST FORCES.)

4. IF PARTIES WILL NOT MEET (HOPEFULLY IN GENEVA),  
OR IF ANSWERS THEY GIVE TO THESE BASIC QUESTIONS ARE UNSATIS-  
FACTORY, WINSPEARE SEE LITTLE OR NOTHING HE OR OTHER CAN  
DO. HE REMARKED THAT THIS IS CASE IN WHICH THE TASK  
IS SO IMPOSSIBLE IT BECOMES EASY. DALE

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